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Application No.: 09/998,557

Filed: November 29, 2001

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING VOICE-MESSAGING SYSTEM TO PLACE LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 5886

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments and remarks as a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 as part of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Claims 1-2, 4, 6-15 and 17-24 are currently pending.

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 22, 2003 and the Advisory Action mailed March 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.